NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND RULES BY THE GEORGIA GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMISSION

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission (hereinafter "Commission") proposes to amend the Commission's Consolidated Rules and Regulations by repealing the following rule:

REPEAL OF RULE 189-1-.07 - Adjustment of Contribution Limits Based on Inflation.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule repeal and a synopsis of the proposed rule repeal are being emailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list for said rules. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule, and a synopsis of the proposed rule may be reviewed during the Commission's normal business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, 200 Piedmont Avenue SE, Suite 1416 - West Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. These documents will also be available for review on the Commission's website (www.ethics.ga.gov). Copies may be requested by contacting the Commission at 404-463-1980.

A public hearing has been scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on June 26, 2023, in Room 606 at the Coverdell Legislative Office Building, 18 Capitol Square, SW, Atlanta, GA 30334 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input on the proposed rule repeal. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five (5) minutes per person.

Written comments are welcome, and must be legible and signed, containing contact information from the maker (address, telephone and/or facsimile number, etc.). To ensure their consideration, written comments must be received on or before September 22, 2020. Written comments should be addressed to Katie Easterwood, Legal Administrative Assistant, Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, 200 Piedmont Avenue SE, Suite 1416 – West Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Fax: 404-463-1988.

The proposed rule repeal will be considered for adoption by the Commission at its meeting scheduled to begin at 10:00 AM on June 26, 2023, in Room 606 at the Coverdell Legislative Office Building, 18 Capitol Square, SW, Atlanta, GA 30334

The Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission has the authority to adopt, amend and repeal these rules pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. § 21-5-6(a)(7).

This 22 day of May, 2023.

Joseph M. Cusack

Deputy Executive Secretary

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED RULE REPEAL BY THE GEORGIA GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMISSION

RULE 189-1-.07 – ADJUSTMENT OF CONTRIBUTION LIMITS BASED UPON INFLATION

Purpose of the Repeal: The Commission seeks to repeal Rule 189-1-.07 – Adjustment of Contribution Limits Based on Inflation as said rule has now been clarified by the Campaign Finance Act (Act) in O.C.G.A. § 21-5-41(k).

REPEAL OF RULE BY THE GEORGIA GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE COMMISSION

REPEAL OF RULE 189-1-.07 – ADJUSTMENT OF CONTRIBUTION LIMITS BASED UPON INFLATION

Note: Struck through text is proposed to be deleted. Underlined text is proposed to be added.

189-1-.07 Repealed Adjustment of Contribution Limits Based Upon Inflation.

Each calendar year at its first regularly scheduled meeting of the year the Commission shall review the maximum campaign contribution limits imposed by the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Act. After a review of the inflation or deflation rate as determined by the Consumer Price Index as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Unites States Department of Labor, the Commission may raise or lower the maximum campaign contribution limits in \$100.00 increments for all elected offices. The failure to raise or lower the maximum contribution limits at its first regularly scheduled meeting of the year shall have the effect of a rejection by the Commission of the need to raise or lower the maximum contribution limits, but the Commission may, on motion, raise or lower such limits at other times during the year.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 21-5-41

History: Original Rule entitled "Adjustment of Contribution Limits Based Upon Inflation" adopted Dec. 14, 2007; eff. Jan. 3, 2008. Amended Dec. 15, 2015; eff. Jan. 1, 2016.